

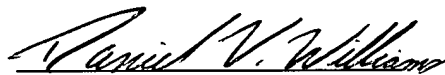
REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 17 and 18 were added in the Amendment dated July 7, 2004 and are deemed entered by virtue of the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith. Claims 19-22 are newly presented in this Amendment to focus on features noted by the Examiner on page 2 of the Advisory Action dated September 10, 2004.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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